

**HW 1:** 1.3, 1.7, 1.13, 1.17, 1.29

**Problem 1.3** A harmonic wave traveling along a string is generated by an oscillator that completes 180 vibrations per minute. If it is observed that a given crest, or maximum, travels 300 cm in 10 s, what is the wavelength?

**Solution:**

$$f = \frac{180}{60} = 3 \text{ Hz.}$$

$$u_p = \frac{300 \text{ cm}}{10 \text{ s}} = 0.3 \text{ m/s.}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{u_p}{f} = \frac{0.3}{3} = 0.1 \text{ m} = 10 \text{ cm.}$$

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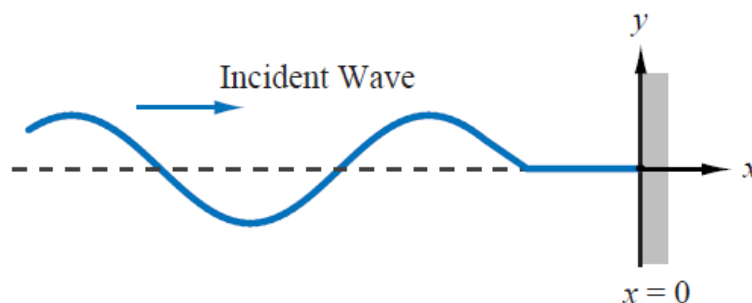
**Problem 1.7** A wave traveling along a string in the  $+x$ -direction is given by

$$y_1(x, t) = A \cos(\omega t - \beta x),$$

where  $x = 0$  is the end of the string, which is tied rigidly to a wall, as shown in Fig. P1.7. When wave  $y_1(x, t)$  arrives at the wall, a reflected wave  $y_2(x, t)$  is generated. Hence, at any location on the string, the vertical displacement  $y_s$  is the sum of the incident and reflected waves:

$$y_s(x, t) = y_1(x, t) + y_2(x, t).$$

- (a) Write an expression for  $y_2(x, t)$ , keeping in mind its direction of travel and the fact that the end of the string cannot move.
- (b) Generate plots of  $y_1(x, t)$ ,  $y_2(x, t)$  and  $y_s(x, t)$  versus  $x$  over the range  $-2\lambda \leq x \leq 0$  at  $\omega t = \pi/4$  and at  $\omega t = \pi/2$ .



**Figure P1.7:** Wave on a string tied to a wall at  $x = 0$  (Problem 1.7).

**Solution:**

(a) Since wave  $y_2(x, t)$  was caused by wave  $y_1(x, t)$ , the two waves must have the same angular frequency  $\omega$ , and since  $y_2(x, t)$  is traveling on the same string as  $y_1(x, t)$ , the two waves must have the same phase constant  $\beta$ . Hence, with its direction being in the negative  $x$ -direction,  $y_2(x, t)$  is given by the general form

$$y_2(x, t) = B \cos(\omega t + \beta x + \phi_0), \quad (1)$$

where  $B$  and  $\phi_0$  are yet-to-be-determined constants. The total displacement is

$$y_s(x, t) = y_1(x, t) + y_2(x, t) = A \cos(\omega t - \beta x) + B \cos(\omega t + \beta x + \phi_0).$$

Since the string cannot move at  $x = 0$ , the point at which it is attached to the wall,  $y_s(0, t) = 0$  for all  $t$ . Thus,

$$y_s(0, t) = A \cos \omega t + B \cos(\omega t + \phi_0) = 0. \quad (2)$$

(i) Easy Solution: The physics of the problem suggests that a possible solution for (2) is  $B = -A$  and  $\phi_0 = 0$ , in which case we have

$$y_2(x, t) = -A \cos(\omega t + \beta x). \quad (3)$$

(ii) Rigorous Solution: By expanding the second term in (2), we have

$$A \cos \omega t + B(\cos \omega t \cos \phi_0 - \sin \omega t \sin \phi_0) = 0,$$

or

$$(A + B \cos \phi_0) \cos \omega t - (B \sin \phi_0) \sin \omega t = 0. \quad (4)$$

This equation has to be satisfied for all values of  $t$ . At  $t = 0$ , it gives

$$A + B \cos \phi_0 = 0, \quad (5)$$

and at  $\omega t = \pi/2$ , (4) gives

$$B \sin \phi_0 = 0. \quad (6)$$

Equations (5) and (6) can be satisfied simultaneously only if

$$A = B = 0 \quad (7)$$

or

$$A = -B \quad \text{and} \quad \phi_0 = 0. \quad (8)$$

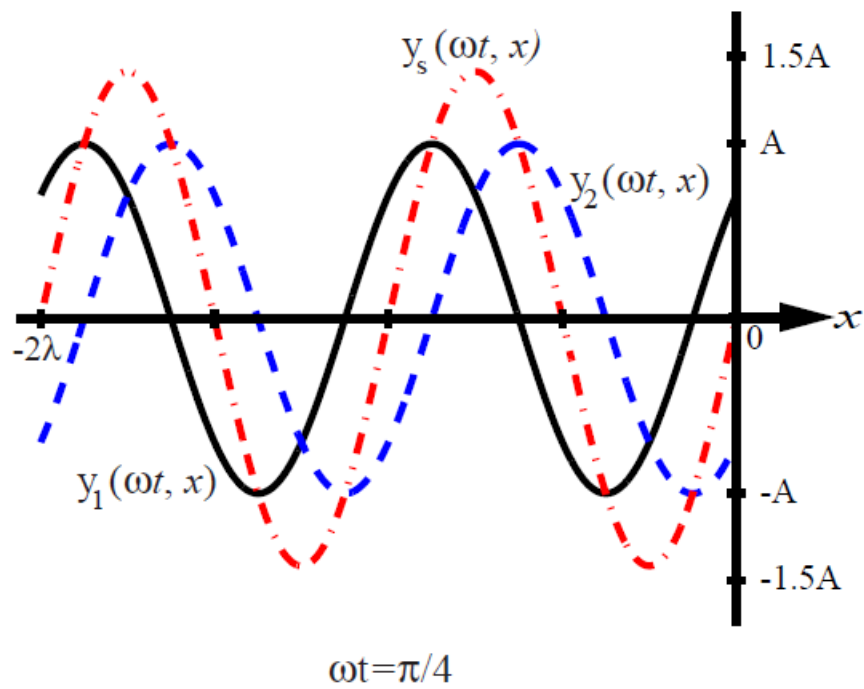
Clearly (7) is not an acceptable solution because it means that  $y_1(x, t) = 0$ , which is contrary to the statement of the problem. The solution given by (8) leads to (3).

**(b)** At  $\omega t = \pi/4$ ,

$$y_1(x, t) = A \cos(\pi/4 - \beta x) = A \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}\right),$$

$$y_2(x, t) = -A \cos(\omega t + \beta x) = -A \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}\right).$$

Plots of  $y_1$ ,  $y_2$ , and  $y_3$  are shown in Fig. P1.7(b).



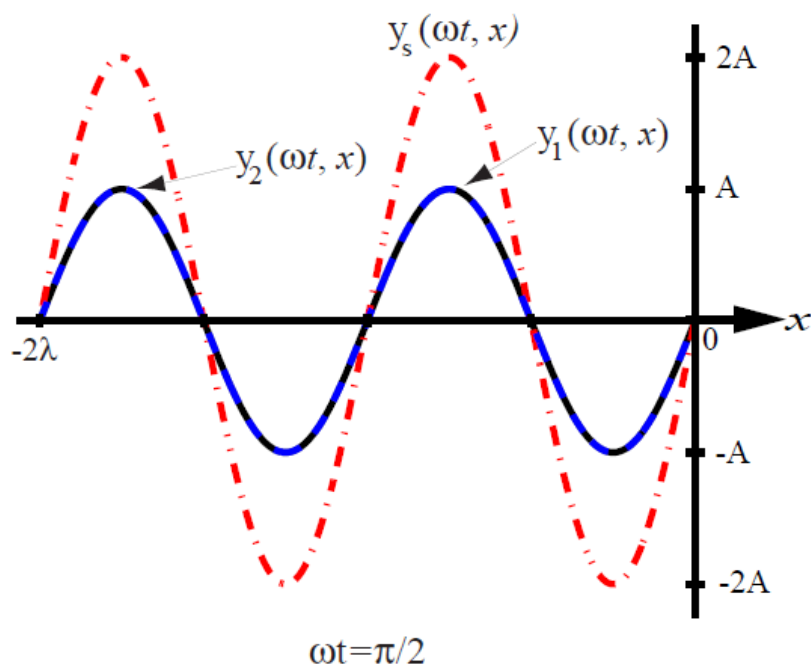
**Figure P1.7:** (b) Plots of  $y_1$ ,  $y_2$ , and  $y_3$  versus  $x$  at  $\omega t = \pi/4$ .

At  $\omega t = \pi/2$ ,

$$y_1(x, t) = A \cos(\pi/2 - \beta x) = A \sin \beta x = A \sin \frac{2\pi x}{\lambda},$$

$$y_2(x, t) = -A \cos(\pi/2 + \beta x) = A \sin \beta x = A \sin \frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}.$$

Plots of  $y_1$ ,  $y_2$ , and  $y_3$  are shown in Fig. P1.7(c).



**Figure P1.7:** (c) Plots of  $y_1$ ,  $y_2$ , and  $y_s$  versus  $x$  at  $\omega t = \pi/2$ .

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**Problem 1.13** The voltage of an electromagnetic wave traveling on a transmission line is given by  $v(z, t) = 5e^{-\alpha z} \sin(4\pi \times 10^9 t - 20\pi z)$  (V), where  $z$  is the distance in meters from the generator.

- (a) Find the frequency, wavelength, and phase velocity of the wave.
- (b) At  $z = 2$  m, the amplitude of the wave was measured to be 2 V. Find  $\alpha$ .

**Solution:**

(a) This equation is similar to that of Eq. (1.28) with  $\omega = 4\pi \times 10^9$  rad/s and  $\beta = 20\pi$  rad/m. From Eq. (1.29a),  $f = \omega/2\pi = 2 \times 10^9$  Hz = 2 GHz; from Eq. (1.29b),  $\lambda = 2\pi/\beta = 0.1$  m. From Eq. (1.30),

$$u_p = \omega/\beta = 2 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s.}$$

- (b) Using just the amplitude of the wave,

$$2 = 5e^{-\alpha 2}, \quad \alpha = \frac{-1}{2 \text{ m}} \ln \left( \frac{2}{5} \right) = 0.46 \text{ Np/m.}$$


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**Problem 1.17** Complex numbers  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are given by

$$z_1 = 3 - j2$$

$$z_2 = -4 + j3$$

- (a) Express  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  in polar form.
- (b) Find  $|z_1|$  by first applying Eq. (1.41) and then by applying Eq. (1.43).
- (c) Determine the product  $z_1 z_2$  in polar form.
- (d) Determine the ratio  $z_1/z_2$  in polar form.
- (e) Determine  $z_1^3$  in polar form.

**Solution:**

- (a) Using Eq. (1.41),

$$\begin{aligned} z_1 &= 3 - j2 = 3.6e^{-j33.7^\circ}, \\ z_2 &= -4 + j3 = 5e^{j143.1^\circ}. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) By Eq. (1.41) and Eq. (1.43), respectively,

$$\begin{aligned} |z_1| &= |3 - j2| = \sqrt{3^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{13} = 3.60, \\ |z_1| &= \sqrt{(3 - j2)(3 + j2)} = \sqrt{13} = 3.60. \end{aligned}$$

- (c) By applying Eq. (1.47b) to the results of part (a),

$$z_1 z_2 = 3.6e^{-j33.7^\circ} \times 5e^{j143.1^\circ} = 18e^{j109.4^\circ}.$$

- (d) By applying Eq. (1.48b) to the results of part (a),

$$\frac{z_1}{z_2} = \frac{3.6e^{-j33.7^\circ}}{5e^{j143.1^\circ}} = 0.72e^{-j176.8^\circ}.$$

- (e) By applying Eq. (1.49) to the results of part (a),

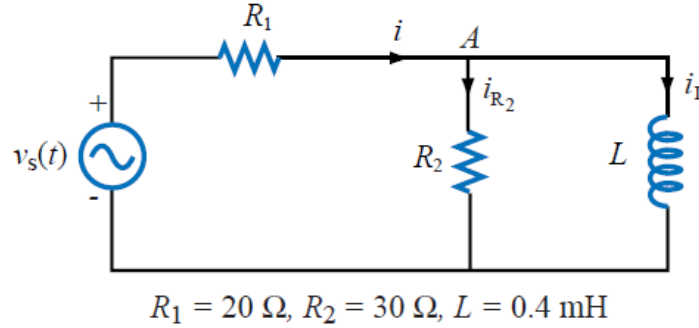
$$z_1^3 = (3.6e^{-j33.7^\circ})^3 = (3.6)^3 e^{-j3 \times 33.7^\circ} = 46.66e^{-j101.1^\circ}.$$

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**Problem 1.29** The voltage source of the circuit shown in Fig. P1.29 is given by

$$v_s(t) = 25 \cos(4 \times 10^4 t - 45^\circ) \quad (\text{V}).$$

Obtain an expression for  $i_L(t)$ , the current flowing through the inductor.



**Figure P1.29:**

**Solution:** Based on the given voltage expression, the phasor source voltage is

$$\tilde{V}_s = 25e^{-j45^\circ} \quad (\text{V}). \quad (9)$$

The voltage equation for the left-hand side loop is

$$R_1 i + R_2 i_{R_2} = v_s \quad (10)$$

For the right-hand loop,

$$R_2 i_{R_2} = L \frac{di_L}{dt}, \quad (11)$$

and at node  $A$ ,

$$i = i_{R_2} + i_L. \quad (12)$$

Next, we convert Eqs. (2)–(4) into phasor form:

$$R_1 \tilde{I} + R_2 \tilde{I}_{R_2} = \tilde{V}_s \quad (13)$$

$$R_2 \tilde{I}_{R_2} = j\omega L \tilde{I}_L \quad (14)$$

$$\tilde{I} = \tilde{I}_{R_2} + \tilde{I}_L \quad (15)$$

Upon combining (6) and (7) to solve for  $\tilde{I}_{R_2}$  in terms of  $\tilde{I}$ , we have:

$$\tilde{I}_{R_2} = \frac{j\omega L}{R_2 + j\omega L} \tilde{I}. \quad (16)$$

Substituting (8) in (5) and then solving for  $\tilde{I}$  leads to:

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_1\tilde{I} + \frac{jR_2\omega L}{R_2 + j\omega L}\tilde{I} &= \tilde{V}_s \\
 \tilde{I}\left(R_1 + \frac{jR_2\omega L}{R_2 + j\omega L}\right) &= \tilde{V}_s \\
 \tilde{I}\left(\frac{R_1R_2 + jR_1\omega L + jR_2\omega L}{R_2 + j\omega L}\right) &= \tilde{V}_s \\
 \tilde{I} &= \left(\frac{R_2 + j\omega L}{R_1R_2 + j\omega L(R_1 + R_2)}\right)\tilde{V}_s.
 \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

Combining (6) and (7) to solve for  $\tilde{I}_L$  in terms of  $\tilde{I}$  gives

$$\tilde{I}_L = \frac{R_2}{R_2 + j\omega L}\tilde{I}. \tag{18}$$

Combining (9) and (10) leads to

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{I}_L &= \left(\frac{R_2}{R_2 + j\omega L}\right)\left(\frac{R_2 + j\omega L}{R_1R_2 + j\omega L(R_1 + R_2)}\right)\tilde{V}_s \\
 &= \frac{R_2}{R_1R_2 + j\omega L(R_1 + R_2)}\tilde{V}_s.
 \end{aligned}$$

Using (1) for  $\tilde{V}_s$  and replacing  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $L$  and  $\omega$  with their numerical values, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{I}_L &= \frac{30}{20 \times 30 + j4 \times 10^4 \times 0.4 \times 10^{-3}(20 + 30)} 25e^{-j45^\circ} \\
 &= \frac{30 \times 25}{600 + j800} e^{-j45^\circ} \\
 &= \frac{7.5}{6 + j8} e^{-j45^\circ} = \frac{7.5e^{-j45^\circ}}{10e^{j53.1^\circ}} = 0.75e^{-j98.1^\circ} \quad (\text{A}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned}
 i_L(t) &= \Re[\tilde{I}_L e^{j\omega t}] \\
 &= 0.75 \cos(4 \times 10^4 t - 98.1^\circ) \quad (\text{A}).
 \end{aligned}$$